

# GREENBELT COOPERATOR

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GREENBELT, MARYLAND

FIVE CENTS

## Birthday Ball Brings Out Record Dance Crowd



— Photos by Francis Fosnight

## MOVIES EVERY NIGHT IS NEW THEATER PLAN

In an effort to increase the volume of business done by the Greenbelt Theater, the directors of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., last Saturday evening approved a plan to operate the theater seven nights a week and instructed the management to get the new program under way at an early date.

According to Robert Buchele, theater manager, dark nights at the Greenbelt Theater cause a loss of potential out-of-town business to other theaters now operating every night.

While considering the question, the management committee of the board of directors conferred with representatives of the Greenbelt Players with regard to that group's use of the theater to present their program of five plays a year, each play running two nights.

The arrangement, which was approved by the entire board, is that the Greenbelt players will continue to be given use of the theater, as in the past. No pictures will be shown the nights the players' group occupies the theater.

According to present plans, the theater will present double features on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Saturdays, including Saturday matinee.

## Questionnaires Indicate Home Ownership Desired

That home ownership in Greenbelt has its appeal is demonstrated by the Cooperator questionnaires already returned to the special sub-committee on housing.

Dayton W. Hull, chairman of this special committee of the Citizens Association, reports that of 30 blanks filled in and returned, 11 indicated ability to provide a down payment within a year, seven in two years, and 12 in a longer period.

No one anticipated payments of more than \$60 per month; 12 said \$40 per month would be maximum payments.

A preference for detached houses was indicated, and nearly all replies asked for further information.

On the basis of questionnaires submitted to the committee by the end of this week, Farm Security Administration will again be contacted, and further details on private home construction in Greenbelt will then be released for the use of those interested.

A meeting of the committee will be called in a few weeks to canvass the latest developments in financing and to discuss the questions to be raised with Farm Security officials. All those interested in attending this session may do so; the place and time may be found in the next issue of the Cooperator.

Questionnaires may still be sent in and should carry name, address, the approximate length of time before the family will have a down payment of about \$500, unencumbered by debt, and the anticipated monthly payments which can be made, and be sent to Dayton Hull, 46-B Crescent Road or to the Cooperator office.

Mrs. Lydalu Palmer will present seven of her pupils in a vocal recital Thursday, February 29 in the Social Room, of the Elementary School. There will be no admission charge.

A new \$60,000 school will soon be built at Beltsville. Provisions have been made for an auditorium and six class rooms.

## BRADEN SUSPENDS ALL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

All public health activities in Greenbelt have been suspended as of February 1, according to a statement released by Roy S. Braden, town manager. Dr. Charles E. Gill, county public health officer, in conjunction with the Greenbelt Health Association physicians will take care of any emergency that may come up.

All clinics and meetings being sponsored by the local public health department are also being canceled until further notice.

Further action awaits the decision of the Town Council, Mr. Braden indicated.

Ricardo, famous magician, will be featured in a benefit performance magic show for the senior class of the Greenbelt High School Tuesday, February 13, in the recreation room next to the Firehouse.

## PINCOFFS POINTS OUT COUNTY HOSPITAL NEEDS

Providing adequate hospital and medical care in Maryland's counties is an "emergency problem" that may be improved through proper coordination of present facilities, Dr. Maurice C. Pincoffs, dean of the University of Maryland's Medical School, said yesterday.

Dr. Pincoffs, addressing the State Planning Commission's Committee on Medical Care, said such coordination would extend benefits to many persons at no increased cost to State or private institutions. He was elected chairman of the 33-member committee, succeeding Abel Wolman.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROPOSED PATRONAGE RETURN

The following requirements should be observed in submitting sales slips of the local stores for patronage returns as announced in last week's paper.

1. Persons eligible for participation: To be eligible for participation in the proposed patronage return, a patron must have submitted to the Board or or before Saturday, February 24, (a) his application for membership—i.e., his application for a share of the voting stock—in the cooperative (it is not required that either payment or agreement to terms for payment accompany this application), and (b) the patronage return slips upon which his return is to be based. The applications and patronage return slips will be received at the Greenbelt Consumer Services office over the Drug Store.

2. Manner of submitting patronage return slips: Patronage return slips are to be clipped or tied in bundles of 25, with the number of slips (25) and the total purchases represented shown in each bundle. The bundles should be placed in a strong paper bag marked with the name and address of the purchaser, the total number of bundles, the total number of slips and the total amount of the purchases represented. Orange colored slips, which apply to purchases made in the year 1940, should not be turned in at this time.

## CITIZENS ASSOCIATION VOTES COOPERATIVE TRANSIT SCHEME

After being under fire for two months, the cooperative transportation plan was approved by the Citizens Association meeting last Monday. The report of the transportation committee presented by Abraham Chasanow, chairman, held that this plan was the most feasible of all those offered.

The motion that the Association sponsor a second troop of Boy Scouts and that a committee be appointed to form the troop was referred to a special committee to investigate and report back.

The proposed revisions of the Association's by-laws were read for the first time. They are to be published in the next issue of the Cooperator.

The Prince Georges County Transportation Committee was voted \$10 to assist in the necessary expenses of further legal action to rectify present transportation.

Mr. Holbrook and his attorney, of the Holbrook Dairy, presented their side of the milk situation. They subjected themselves to 30 minutes of questioning by the members of the Association on nearly all phases. They further suggested that they were willing to listen to suggestions that Greenbelt people may make in order to preserve their original price schedule. It was pointed out that the present increase was temporary and that the dairy hoped to be able to revert to the previous schedule if some suitable arrangement could be worked out.

## MORE DETAILS ANNOUNCED FOR PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS

Patronage return credit, if authorized, will be automatic for members and subscribers of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., according to an announcement last week by one of the board members.

People who already have paid in full for a share of stock need not make application for another one in order to be given credit for their portion of the patronage return. Credit towards another share will be given them without any further requirements. Those who have subscribed but have not completed payments on their share will get credit on that stock.

However, in either case, all the patronage slips must be in by the evening of February 24, in accordance with details set out in last week's Cooperator, in order to get credit for them.

## SCOUT TROOP REORGANIZES

Boy Scout Troop 202 was recently organized in an attempt to improve conditions within the troop. Four new patrols were created—the Sea Scout Patrol, Sioux Patrol, Blackfoot Patrol, and the Den Chief Patrol. The latter patrol is composed of older Scouts who act as advisers to the Cub Scouts. The Sea Scout Patrol consists of boys over 15 years of age who have attained at least first class rank.

Plans have been made for the father and son banquet to be held Monday, February 12. All of the Scouts, Cubs, and their fathers are expected to be present. There will be a charge of 50 cents a plate, and the boys without fathers will be furnished "acting fathers" for the evening.

## STOCKHOLDERS HAVE FULL AGENDA AT FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

The first annual meeting of the local stockholders of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., was held in the social room at the Elementary School last night. On the agenda for the meeting, presided over by Walter R. Volckhausen, new president of the organization, were the following:

Report of the president, general manager's report, treasurer's financial report, reports of the membership and education committees, ratification and approval of certain acts of the old and new boards (such as the new by-laws and the financial agreement with Consumer Distribution Corporation), decision in connection with the patronage refund for 1939 purchases, and question of the organization's joining the Eastern Cooperative Wholesale and the Eastern Cooperative League.

(Editor's note: Full details of the meeting will be presented in next week's issue of the Cooperator).

## HUFFMAN TAKES POST IN WILLIAMSBURG

Officer Yale B. Huffman of the local Department of Public Safety is leaving Greenbelt to take another position, it was learned this week. He has been selected to direct the protection of the valuable antiques that are being restored to the famous Rockefeller project at Williamsburg, Virginia.

The valuables that will come under his care have an estimated worth of \$20,000,000.

No announcement has been made yet of a replacement for the vacancy created.



## EVALUATION COMMITTEE VISITS HIGH SCHOOL

The Greenbelt High School was visited Tuesday and Wednesday by two "evaluation committees" sent by the State Department of Education. These committees were formed to study and compare different high schools in the State, and their findings will be used as a basis for suggesting improvements to the schools, besides giving the schools an opportunity to see how they compare with each other.

The committees consider, among other points, pupil and teacher relationships, teachers' backgrounds and methods, extra-curricular activities, vocational guidance, and the nature of the community in which a high school is located. All teachers are asked to fill out detailed questionnaires to be gone over by the committees before their arrival. The visiting committees are made up of members of the state and county education departments as well as high school principals, with seven or eight serving on each committee. In order to secure a representative viewpoint, the Department of Education is sending a different committee to each high school. The plan is now in its second year of operation.

## LOST AND FOUND LIST GROWS

The following lost and found items will be held at the Administration Office until February 15. Those who wish to claim lost articles are requested to report to the office before that date.

- 1 black wool turban
- 1 green wool belt
- 1 square cotton handkerchief 20" x 20"
- 1 white silk scarf, black and white fringe, initial
- 1 black and white paisley scarf
- 1 white rayon scarf
- 1 yellow triangle scarf, small figure
- 1 mottled knife
- 1 hand knitted scarf, blue and rose
- odd gloves, knitted and leather
- several pairs of gloves, knitted and leather
- 1 plain brown knitted cap
- 1 brown knitted cap trimmed in orange
- 1 maroon cap with varicolored head band

## Robinson Leaves for Training

Stewart Robinson, an employee of the Food Store, left for New York City last Saturday to attend the course in cooperative food store operation which is being given by the Council for Cooperative Business Training.

The Council, representing Rochdale Institute, Consumer Distribution Corporation and Eastern Cooperative Wholesale, recently announced through its chairman, Herbert E. Evans, that the "demand for capable employees and managers by consumer cooperative food stores is greater than the available number of competent men" and that to aid candidates in qualifying for such positions these organizations have pooled their resources for a 16-week training program, aided by a grant from the Good Will Fund, Inc.

The course began Monday, February 5, and will continue to May 24.

## ANNE HULL PROMOTED TO NEWS EDITOR JOB

Anne Hull was graduated from reporter to news editor of the Cooperator this week, filling a vacancy in the staff which had existed for several months.

In her new job Mrs. Hull will be responsible for news coverage of Greenbelt. Organizations and individuals who are not satisfied with present coverage of their news, and persons who would like to try out as reporters should get in touch with Mrs. Hull at 46-B Crescent Road or phone 4703.

## SPRING IS ON THE WAY: GARDENERS GET BUSY

On Tuesday, January 23, ten dyed-in-the-wool cabbage and onion planters met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Smith, 4-H Southway (Mr. Smith is the leader of one of the plain dirt gardeners' groups) and made plans for a heavy season's work. Thursday, January 25, a group of phlox fanciers met with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Brown, 58-F Crescent Road (Mr. Brown is leading one group of flower gardeners) to discuss plans looking toward more and better flower production.

State Administrator Ryland M. Dempster, of the National Youth Administration announced last week the availability of NYA funds for the improvement and expansion of the Prince Georges County Police Boys Club.

The NYA will furnish means to employ 20 athletic instructors and supervisors. With the additional personnel the club will expand its physical education opportunities. Permission will be asked for the use of the gymnasiums in at least two more schools.

## NOTICE

The Holbrook Farms Dairy has opposed the Marketing Agreement from the first, having argued at the various hearings that it was discriminatory in that it would force a price rise in the SUBURBAN area whereas it would not affect the already higher price in Washington and that the Secretary of Agriculture has no authority to regulate purely intrastate business such as ours.

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## COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Paul E. Featherby recently completed for the Community Church a communion service in Honduras mahogany consisting of four trays which hold 36 individual wine services each, and two bread plates. Mr. Featherby also made for the Church the cross which stands on the communion table, and two offering plates. At present he is working on two additional offering plates.

Mr. Featherby is a cabinet worker by trade. Most of the work on the articles for the Church was done in the Greenbelt High School shop, where Mr. Featherby enrolled in Chester Wurl's evening woodworking class.

Sunday evening, February 11, at 8:00, the Community Church will entertain the Boy Scouts and Cubs of Greenbelt in honor of "Scout Sunday". It is understood the boys will worship at the Catholic service on Sunday morning and at the Community Church in the evening. The parents of these boys are especially urged to attend the services with their boys.

The Community Church Evening Hour has for the past few Sundays devoted the 8:00 to 9:00 period to the informal singing of favorite hymns, prayer and devotion focused around the subject of "Our Bible and how to understand and use it." The Community is cordially invited to these evening services. The next meeting of this type will be Sunday evening, February 18.

All members of the Community Men's Class are reminded of the business and social meeting tomorrow night, February 9, in the school social room, at 8 P.M.

## LATTER DAY SAINTS NEWS

Elders William Haslem and W. N. Johannessen will be the speakers at the evening services of the Church of the Latter Day Saints on February 11. Elder Johannessen will speak on the subject of genealogical research. Elder Haslem's subject will be the relationship of genealogical research to the gospel of Jesus Christ. Special musical numbers will also be featured on the program.

The weekly meeting of the Ladies Relief Society of the L. D. S. Church will be held at the home of Mrs. Anne Wagstaff, 2-C Woodland Way, on Wednesday, February 14, at 8 P.M.

The Men's Study Class of the L.D.S. Church will meet at the home of Mr. Lawson Hamblin, 2-G Northway, Sunday morning, February 11, at 8:30 A.M.

## Office Hours of Doctors and Dentist

This is the new schedule of doctors' and dentist's hours. Please clip this out and save it as this will not be published again in the Cooperator for some time.

Monday....10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)  
4:00 - 6:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)  
Night Call - (Dr. Berenberg)  
Tuesday....10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)  
7:30 - 8:30 - (Dr. Still, Dr. Silagy)  
Night Call - (Dr. Still)  
Wednesday..9:00 - 10:00 - Hay Fever and Asthma  
10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Still, Dr. Silagy)  
Night Call - (Dr. Silagy)  
Thursday...10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)  
4:00 - 6:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Silagy)  
Night Call - (Dr. Silagy)  
Friday....10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)  
7:30 - 8:30 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)  
Night Call - (Dr. Berenberg)  
Saturday...10:00 - 12:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)  
5:00 - 6:00 - (Dr. Berenberg, Dr. Still)  
Night Call - (Dr. Still)

Phones: Health Association, office.....2121  
Dr. Berenberg (home).....2151  
Dr. Silagy (home).....2151  
Dr. Still (home).....2161

NOTE: The doctor who is on call at night will keep his phone covered at all times. Should it occasionally be necessary to have his phone uncovered for a short time, he will maintain contact with the Greenbelt Hospital or the Greenbelt Drug Store and can be located by calling one of those numbers.

Physical examinations are made by appointment.

Dr. McCarl's hours for dental work are as follows:

Monday.....9:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.  
Tuesday.....9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
7:00 - 9:30 P.M.

Thursday.....9:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.  
Friday.....9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
7:00 - 9:30 P.M.

Saturday .....2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

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## Meditations

by  
Robert Lee Kincheloe  
Minister to the  
Greenbelt Community Church

An old volume, published in 1895, contains a paragraph about the contribution Jesus made to the cause of unity. In a day when differences and antagonisms are pulling at the very heart of humanity as if to rend in bits, in an age when race discrimination and nationalistic cults are fanning the flames of hate, the words of this 19th century writer are urgently appropriate. We need not look abroad to find a situation for our condemnation. We have it all right here. Disunion is not the peculiar sin of Europe, but the curse of all mankind. It flourishes even in the hearts and minds of those who claim the same Father God. Here are the words of our sage:

"Jesus has stated in convincing terms the principle (love one another as I have loved you) which alone can repair the disruption in society and close its fissures. What rends society in every land is the conflict between the rights of the one and the rights of the many, and harmony can only be established by their reconciliation. Peace can never be made by the suppression of the individual—which is collectivism, nor by the endless sacrifice of a hundred for the profit of one—which is individualism. Jesus came to bring each man's individuality to perfection, not to sink him in the mass. Jesus came to rescue the poor and weak from the tyranny of power and ambition, not to leave them in bondage. Both ends were His, and both are embraced in His new commandment. For the ideal placed before each individual is not rule but service, and in proportion to his attainments will be his sacrifices. By one stroke Jesus secures the welfare of the many who share in the success of the one, and the progress of the one whose character is developed by his service of the many. It will not be necessary to cripple any man's power lest it may be a menace to his neighbors, because he will be their voluntary servant, nor will his neighbors be driven to the vice of oppression, because they will not fear. Where Jesus' idea prevails a rivalry of service will be the habit of society, and he will stand highest who stoops lowest in the new order of life."

Often we lose sight of our goal as followers of God and weary in well doing. Sometimes an analysis such as the above serves as an injection of insight and power to our lagging minds and spirits.

## HEBREW CONGREGATION NEWS

An interesting quiz contest was held after services of the Hebrew Congregation on Friday, February 2. The female of the species competed against the male. When the results were announced, it was the men's faces which were red.

Alfred S. Mark will officiate at the services on Friday, February 9, at 9:00 P.M.

Plans are being formulated for a bridge party to be given by the Women's Auxiliary on Tuesday, February 20, in the Recreation Room in the Firehouse. Tickets are to be sold for 25 cents. Refreshments will be served, and door prizes and score prizes will be awarded. The entire community will be invited to attend.

State Health Director Dr. Robert H. Riley reported this week that Maryland's "fifth greatest killer", pneumonia, is succumbing to the state-wide medical drive, using sulfa pyridine.

The drug, distributed free under a \$20,000 state appropriation, was employed when the patient could not afford treatment. "It is a certainty", said the state health director, "that three of four of these persons would have died without sulfa pyridine treatments."



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## Journalistic Club Will Elect February 14

The Journalistic Club, to which all Greenbelt residents belong, meets next Wednesday, February 14, in the Cooperator office over the Variety Store at 8 P.M., to elect club officers and members of the editorial staff of the Cooperator to serve for the next six months.

Some nominations have already been made, and opportunity will be made at the meeting for further nominations. The officers to be elected are president, vice-president, treasurer, and secretary of the Journalistic Club, and the editor, assistant editors, and business manager of the Cooperator.

### WOMEN'S CLUB HOLDS COSTUME LUNCHEON

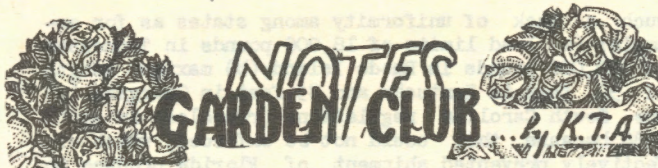
Mrs. Leon G. Benefiel gave a dessert luncheon for the newly organized Greenbelt Women's Club at her home last Thursday in honor of Mrs. Harry Harcomb, president of the Maryland State Federation of Women's Clubs, and Mrs. Henry Naylor, member of the County Council of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Mary Lloyd Willis, president of the local club, presided at the business meeting following the luncheon.

The 24 guests appeared in Colonial costumes in keeping with the red, white and blue decorations, and were presented with favors of wool coat dolls made at school by little Harry Benefiel. The ladies who came down with colds the next day from washing powder out of their hair wished they had followed the example of Mrs. Delpha McCarl, who appeared in a wig of white cotton.

### HOSPITAL AUXILIARY WILL VOTE ON BY-LAWS

The Hospital Auxiliary will hold a special meeting Thursday, February 15, in the Music Room at 8 o'clock, to vote upon the revised by-laws and constitution and to elect a secretary to fill the vacancy left by Mrs. Erma Volk. The by-laws will be presented by the committee which has been incorporating the amendments and suggestions from members.

All members are urged to attend and to make suggestions from the floor as the by-laws will be permanent after this meeting.



"Everybody to his own taste!"  
Said the old woman as she kissed her cow."

The Garden Club has definitely put itself on the smart side of the fence by its last move. It has separated the sheep from the goats, and I decline to say which is which. As a matter of fact, you will find a scattering of sheep in among the goats when the goats get together, and I suspect that a few goats will invade the sheeply gatherings. But to all intents and purposes, in the Garden Club, "sheep is sheep and goats is goats."

In other words, the boys and girls who can argue for hours about the superiority of Stowell's Evergreen over Country Gentleman or whether Break-O-Day is preferable to Earliana have been put in one pen and the lads and lassies who sing paeans to a petunia or who would spend the last five dollars in the grocery budget for a new iris root have been put in another. And every once in so often, they can come together in meeting and pit a poppy against a potato.

On Tuesday, January 23, ten dyed-in-the-wool cabbage and onion planters met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Smith, 4-H Southway (Mr. Smith is the leader of one of the plain dirt gardeners' groups) and made plans for a heavy season's work. On Thursday, January 25, a group of phlox fanciers met with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Brown, 58-F Crescent Road (Mr. Brown is leading one group of flower gardeners) to discuss plans looking toward more and better flower production.

These two groups were the cells from which other groups are expected to grow. Like the young M.D. who carried his specialization to the left nostril, we can expect the flower group to have such offshoots as expert rosarians or peony growers, and the vegetable group to produce mushroom bedders or tomato specialists. The plan seems to be to allow people to specialize in whatever branch of horticulture suits them best.

If you're interested, gardeners, get in touch with Mr. Smith or Mr. Brown—or both, and let's see the color of your eyes!

## BONE HEADS G. H. A. AGAIN; PEGGY ZORACH ON BOARD

Dr. Hugh A. Bone was reelected president of the Greenbelt Health Association at the first meeting of the new board of directors held Wednesday, January 24. Other officers elected were Arthur Plackett, vice-president; Leslie Atkins, secretary; and George A. Warner, treasurer.

Mr. Warner, who also served as treasurer during the past year, resigned from the board because of the heavy responsibilities of his new position as mayor of Greenbelt. However, he will continue to serve as treasurer, without vote on the policy forming board of directors.

Mrs. Peggy Zorach was appointed to fill the board vacancy created by Mr. Warner's resignation.

## BOOK CLUB WILL REVIEW "CAPITAL CITY"

"Capital City" by Mari Sandoz will be reviewed by Mrs. Betty Bone at the next Book Club meeting to be held Wednesday, February 14, at 8:00 P.M. in Room 200 of the Elementary School. "Capital City" is of particular interest to Nebraskans since it describes the political intrigues of that State.

More than 30 persons were present for the discussion of "Grapes of Wrath" and "Factories in the Field" led by Richard Cooper and reviewed by Rev. R. L. Kincheloe and Miss Ollie Hoffman at the last meeting, January 31.

### LEGION AUXILIARY MEETS TONIGHT

The American Legion Auxiliary meets tonight at the home of Mrs. Leon G. Benefiel, 60-B Crescent Road.

The National Citation will be presented to the Greenbelt American Legion Post at the annual dinner for the national commander given at the War Memorial in Baltimore on February 15.

Mrs. Thomas F. McNamara, president of the American Legion Auxiliary, attended the National Defense Conference held at the Mayflower Hotel the week of January 29.

### DUPLICATE BRIDGE IS LIKE CONTRACT

Duplicate bridge is finally explained by the Monday night players to be no more complicated than ordinary contract. The difference is that in duplicate bridge the cards are not played on the tricks, but are shown to the players in their turn. The net scores for the evening are thus not dependent on the number of "power houses" held, but are determined by how each hand is played. The Mitchell movement is used by the Club.

Last Monday's results were: High North and South, Mrs. Harvard Hodges and Mr. E. R. Likens, 66-2/3 per cent. High East and West, Mrs. Vernon Havens and Mrs. John Price, 61-1/9 per cent.

### GIRL SCOUTS LAUNCH SECOND COOKIE SALE

On February 10 the Girl Scouts begin their second annual cookie sale in Greenbelt, under the auspices of the National Scout organization. It is the only country-wide money-making activity endorsed by their headquarters.

Ten cents on each twenty-five cent box of cookies is net, and three cents of each ten is retained by the local group. The balance of seven cents is used to maintain the Girl Scout Day Camp in Greenbelt.

### GREENBELT: A PLANNED COMMUNITY

(This is one of a series of statements depicting Greenbelt's contributions to good living. They are taken from the mural plaques prepared by Wallace F. Mabey which featured Greenbelt's First Annual Town Fair.)

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Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate—we cannot consecrate—we cannot hallow—this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.



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## State Trade Barriers

With the start of vacation treks in the coming spring months some Greenbelters will again become aware of state barriers to trade and travel which are becoming more irritating and burdensome to our national life each year.

Only a few of the new restrictions are readily apparent—mainly those in the western states. Entrance of tourists into California is now more complicated from neighboring states than is entrance into Canada—a foreign country. Sanitary inspection from plants, a ban on citrus fruit grown outside of the state, ports of entry, and compulsory registration of all visitors crossing the state line, place California near the top of those states which are "Balkanizing" our country.

Few Maryland residents realize that our own state already has five laws which interfere with interstate commerce and travel. As a check on the mounting tide of restrictions in our own state we must be able to recognize and identify the most common barriers now practiced by these 48 states against each other. Here is a partial list:

1. Excise tax on oleomargarine. Purpose—to applied largely in dairy states to protect this industry from competition. Effect—"Protection" which amounts to a subsidy for inefficient producers on dairy products; higher prices for butter and for butter substitutes.
2. Chain store taxes. Purpose—to protect individually owned retail stores from the competition of chain stores. Effect—higher prices to consumers at both chain and independent stores.
3. Use taxes. Purpose—to plug loopholes in sales tax laws by taxing goods which are purchased outside the state. Effect—higher prices and the erection of import tariffs between states. If the trend continues we shall soon need a reciprocal trade agreement program at home as well as abroad.
4. Plant and animal quarantines. Purpose—to prevent the spread of injurious pests and diseases. Effects—beneficial insofar as the quarantines are applied solely for this purpose. Unfortunately some recent quarantines are now applied with little biological basis, for the purpose of aiding the sale of local states produce. This may result in goods of poorer quality and higher price.
5. Restrictions on prison-made goods. Purpose—to maintain industries and wage scales which could not compete with goods produced by convict labor. Effect—the purpose is sound except where only "out-of-state" prison-made goods are restricted.
6. Control of alcoholic beverages. Purpose—to allow each state to devise its own control system. Effect—some fine results have emerged from certain state experiments, in particular the low prices and high state revenue of the state of Washington liquor monopoly. In a few cases states discriminate against "out-of-state" liquors by increased taxes or restrictions, adversely affecting both the cost and the quality of product by this subsidization of home industry.
7. Sanitary inspection laws. Purpose—to prevent the use of impure dairy products, meats, or other goods. Effect—consumer protection when the stated purpose is to bar "out-of-state" goods inspection becomes a racket (14 cent milk in the Washington area).
8. Public purchasing laws. Purpose—to grant preference to home producers in the purchase of supplies for state use. Effect—encouragement to uneconomically located and managed businesses at the expense of more efficient concerns, and higher taxes.
9. Automobile inspection. Purpose—usually stated as prevention of stolen car transportation. Effect—varies from state to state. Arizona jots down the license number, asks to see the driver's license, and offers in return a sticker and road map. Getting into California offers enough difficulties, on the other hand, to effectively cut tourist trade if the restrictions are maintained.
10. Trucking requirements. Purpose—variously stated as for raising revenue, for insuring highway safety, and for prevention of damage to highways and bridges. Effect—improvement in trucking facilities in a few states, in most states a crazy hodgepodge which forces inter-state trucks to carry a half-dozen license plates, several sets of tail lights of assorted scopes, sizes, and colors, and which in the end force up consumer prices. There's

such a lack of uniformity among states as for example; (a) load limits of 18,000 pounds in Tennessee to 120,000 pounds in Rhode Island; (b) maximum length of 30 feet in Kentucky and 85 feet in Georgia; (c) the South Carolina regulations (repealed in April 1938 because they could not be enforced) which effectively prevented shipment of Florida produce to North Atlantic points.

Child of the depression, state trade barriers were nourished by selfish local industries and by legislators who were ignorant of even rudimentary economics. Revenue for depleted state treasuries, and protection for the home-town industry made a twin appeal that dimmed the long run effects of unsound legislation.

By and large the economic effects of state trade and travel restrictions are inimical to the national welfare. Most of the laws restrict any advantage which might be derived from a geographical division of labor and place a resulting burden on the shoulders of the consumer. Moreover discrimination breeds retaliation, so that even an initial short-time benefit is soon lost. For the really essential regulations on trucking and quarantine we recommend federal supervision. We must continue to condemn the type of legislation which sets state against state in a fight which hits our pocketbook.

## The Unemployed

You have seen them yourselves, loafing around on street corners mooching dimes, or doing part time loafing for the W.P.A. There are a lot of them that are still unemployed—about 9,000,000. "The trouble with these unemployed is that they don't want to work".

But last week in New York 2000 men and women waited in a grim, quiet line for 220 jobs as census takers in Jamaica, Long Island. They are still waiting and the line, already more than two blocks long is growing, because the application blanks will not be available until February 15. "Nobody's going to get my place in line," was the answer police got when they tried to explain to the applicants how hopeless the two-weeks' wait would be.

"That's the trouble with these unemployed—they don't want to work."

This week's candidate for the Poison Ivy Club is the B-Block family whose brawl woke up half the neighborhood last Saturday night.

## Letters to Editor

### REVEREND FEALY REPLIES

To the Editor:

The editorial—"One Church or a Dozen?"—has been called to my attention.

The writer desires to say, I take it, that while the cooperation of the Catholic-group, at least to the extent of a "more serious consideration of the proposal" for a combined church in Greenbelt is desirable, he is sure they will not give it.

Speaking of cooperation, we Catholics, would like to find some spirit of cooperation on the part of the Cooperator—yes, and on the part of some others in Greenbelt—sufficient, at least, to cause you to make sure of the facts before attempting to take us, Catholics, over the jumps. I doubt that the writer of "One Church or a Dozen" even read the account of the Catholic meeting which appeared in the Cooperator of January 18. If he did, how comes it that he missed "pending more encouraging developments for the combined church building it was decided" etc.

The Catholics of Greenbelt are going ahead with plans for a church building, whether it be a separate building or a part of a combined building depends on future developments and on the decision of His Excellency, the Archbishop of Baltimore. That the idea of a combined building has not been thrown out the window is attested by the fact that Monsignor Nelligan, in behalf of the Archbishop, is scheduled to confer with the Rev. Kincheloe, on Tuesday, January 30, concerning this matter.

I trust the writer of this editorial will remember that one of the ways to make an end of factionalism is to be sure that you are just to your neighbor—even the Catholics.

— Rev. Leo J. Fealy

### FURTHERMORE

To the Editor:

In the Cooperator of January 25 I read an editorial of lament that local Catholics propose to build here their own church, when there might be given "more serious consideration of the proposal to erect in Greenbelt a single center fine enough and with enough separate wings to care for all the major groups represented."

To ascertain what serious consideration the "Cooperator" may have given such a proposal I scoured all past issues back to September 7, 1939. I find no mention of such a proposal. It happens that I do know that Rev. Kincheloe has entertained such an idea; that it has been aired at a White House tea. I do not know that any church group has declared for or against the mere idea.

The proposal, as it exists in the abstract, has taken neither form nor shape nor any tangible basis. The determination of Greenbelt Catholics to proceed with plans for their own church building is subject to a survey now actually under way. The "Cooperator" story in the issue of January 18, 1940, outlining the Catholic program, stated that it was undertaken "pending more encouraging developments for the combined church building." Certainly it is the intention of local Catholics to provide for themselves in some manner a fitting place for the center of their religious life, a shrine that shall shelter Christ in the Blessed Sacrament and bring Him, as a neighbor, near to their homes.

The "Cooperator" editorial, therefore, might well be re-phrased, if not retracted; if it intended to convey the notion that a combined church building had been rejected, it was written without any basis in fact. No concrete possibility of a combined church building exists at the present time. As an idea it has been entertained, but not yet developed. Between the idea and its fulfillment may lie practical difficulties not bridged by mere idealism.

— J. P. Loftus

### AND STILL FURTHER

To the Editor:

The Greenbelt Cooperator scoops again in the wonderful (?) editorial written by the brilliant editor of a paper whose so-called watchword is "Cooperation".

I have always classified an editorial of a paper as stating the policy of the newspaper and any facts set forth as an editorial are only stated after the careful shifting of rumor from fact and careful checking of the source of the information in order to get true facts. Possibly the Cooperator's editorial staff has a different view.

However, the editor of the Co-op must have a different idea of an editorial and bases his statements only on mere rumor and statements from persons not in position to know the true facts or who have heard the true facts but have not interpreted them correctly.

I, as a Catholic and speaking for myself alone, certainly regard the editorial of last week's Co-op as a direct insult and demand an apology and retraction of the statements made. One's religion is a touchy subject and anyone with an ounce of brains would certainly strive to get the true facts from the person best able to give them before taking a stand one way or the other, such as the brilliant editor has done in this instance and by others in our fair town. If the editorial staff does not possess such knowledge of whom to seek out in questions of this type, I would consider it an empty honor to so advise them.

— W. F. Donahue

### AND LASTLY

To the Editor:

In connection with your editorial in last week's issue criticizing the Greenbelt Catholics for building their own church instead of cooperating with the other religious groups, may I make the following remarks.

We have not built the church yet. We have not closed the door on the idea of the combined church building. We cannot decide by ourselves just what will be done, as the final word rests with Archbishop Curley. The recent decision to proceed with plans for building a Catholic Church in Greenbelt is merely an additional step in plans first advanced almost two years ago, it is a logical step forward in these plans, and we will continue to develop them as far as possible. If a different plan should be submitted before our own reach their culmination, you can be sure it will be given sincere consideration by the proper persons.

— Guy R. Moore

### COMMUNITY CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL

To the Editor:

Appreciation of the notable success of the Men's Community Bible Class prompts me to invite the attention of others to this activity which is making such a generous contribution to our individual and collective desire for a well rounded life.

The teacher, president, leaders and members have all worked together to have the kind of mens Bible class that all want to attend. The results speak for themselves. From a small attendance of 15 to the present attendance of over 150, is the story in round numbers. Back of this story you will find enthusiasm, friendliness, invitations, perseverance, and determination on the part of those who said, "It shall be done."

It is an inspiration to the teacher and those present to see so many turn out to sing and study together. Although these men represent numerous religious beliefs, their attention and efforts are centered on the fundamental spiritual problems of everyday life.

There are several men who have attended Sunday School at Greenbelt for the first time in twenty years. I feel that the readers of the "Greenbelt Cooperator", would appreciate hearing from them, or others who would like to put in a word for the class.

Rumors continue to circulate about the new ideas and plans of the men's class for the future so it appears that we are only at the beginning. This spirit is catching so we may well expect it to spread to our other social and religious activities. Will see you at Sunday School.

— Howard M. Gibson

A class in "Problems of the Adolescent Child" began last night, at 8 P.M. in Room 222 in the Elementary School. Paul Kelly is teaching this class.



## A YEAR AGO

(From the Cooperator, February 2 and 9, 1939)

Roy S. Braden officially threw open the doors of the Junior Recreation Center for all the town between the ages of 13 and 20.....

The Greenbelt Grizzlies beat Hyattsville in basketball, 24 to 11.....

Donald Coale won a bronze medal at an exhibition of the Society of Washington Artists for his entry "Gray Morning".....



# LIBRARY CORNER

## LIBRARY SCHEDULE

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1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.  
Saturday - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon  
2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

## YOUR LIBRARY

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**MAGAZINES**—The latest issues of magazines are kept on the magazine rack. They may be used in the library but may not be taken from the library. However, all back numbers of magazines may be circulated.

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**BORROWERS**—Any person living in Greenbelt may borrow books upon filing an application. Applications of school children must be signed by the parent or teacher.

**TIME KEPT**—Fiction may be kept one week and cannot be renewed. Non-fiction may be kept two weeks and may be renewed if there are no reserves on the book.

**CARDS**—Cards must be presented when books are borrowed or returned.

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— Reba S. Harris



## Co-op Question Box

GREENBELT CONSUMER SERVICES

HEALTH ASSOCIATION

CREDIT UNION

Q. Who does the hiring and firing of the stores' employees?

A. The General Manager is chosen, and may be dismissed, by the board of directors; all other employees are hired and fired by the general manager, subject however to the general employment policies of the cooperative, which are determined by the members and their board of directors. The general manager's choice of store managers is subject to the approval of the board.

Wide experience has determined that the maintenance of these authority restrictions is essential to sound business practice, and that the lack of these restrictions is the prime weakness of many cooperatives. When lines of authority are clearly known, then everybody knows his responsibility, and proper controls can be set up. There can be little "passing of the buck". In cooperatives the line of authority is as follows: The store employees are responsible to the store managers; the managers to the general manager; the general manager to the board of directors; the board to the members. The members select the board and decide the broad policies of the cooperative; management and administrative details are the responsibility of the board and general manager.

ooOoo

Q. Why is it especially important to repay my loans regularly and promptly? What difference does it make if I become delinquent?

A. Payments must be made the day they are due or within one week thereafter to avoid becoming delinquent. A delinquent borrower is close to losing one of his most valuable assets—his credit; once lost it is difficult to retrieve it. The Greenbelt Credit Union is now preparing an intensive campaign to reduce the number of delinquent loans, and the credit union member who, without explanation, does not make regular payments on his loan, who refuses in effect to repay money he has borrowed from his friends and neighbors, is jeopardizing his home, his job, and his reputation.

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Q. Does the Health Association offer hospital coverage for members?

A. Not as yet, although we hope to offer a moderate priced plan to the membership in the near future. In fact, a special meeting to make plans for hospitalization coverage is scheduled for some time this month.

## WITH THE PLAYERS



As soon as co-directors Ellen Quinn Krebs and Nathan H. Schein obtain their entire cast for "Bury The Dead", the Greenbelt Players go into rehearsals for their fourth production of the 1939-1940 season. At last week's try-outs for this play the attendance was almost record-breaking. Among the many residents who tried out for the play were Dorothy Harris, Lydalu Palmer, Helen Cowell, Betsy Woodman, Marcia Kinsley, Frank Loftus, Joseph Maynard, John Murray, Sidney Weinstein, G. Byron Roshon, Donald H. Cooper, and Joseph Muller. Two try-outs have been held so far for this war drama, and it is possible that another may be called soon. The great number of characters in this story enables participation of many experienced thespians and novices as well. If you are interested in any aspect of the production of "Bury The Dead", notify either of the directors named.

Whilst the Greenbelt Players prepare for this play and their February 24th radio production, we note an interesting legitimate theatre calendar of entertainment in Washington. During February 12 to 15, the venerable "Tobacco Road" will be at the National Theatre, replacing "The Little Foxes", starring Tallulah Bankhead, which moves on after a week's showing, February 5 to 10. On February 7-8-9 (8:30 P.M.--75 cents) at Pierce Hall, 15th and Harvard, the Pierce Hall Players are giving "What A Life", comedy by Clifford Goldsmith which appeared in film at the Greenbelt Theatre last week. Also at Pierce Hall, under the heading of Foreign Language Cinema, comes the film "Konzert in Tirol" on February 10 (no curtain time given--40 cents). By the way, if you have any interest in any foreign language, or even in just knowing more about other lands, keep track of these foreign language cinema shows at Pierce Hall. They are unusually entertaining. At Perkins Hall, Universalist Church at 16th and S Streets, on February 12 (8:15 P.M.--no charge) the Glen Echo Players give "Macbeth", as one of the presentations of the Shakespeare Society of Washington. The Cue and Curtain Club of George Washington University is giving "Our Town" at Western Presbyterian Church, 1906 H Street on February 10 (8:30 P.M.--50 cent reserved seats). For the youngsters, the Children's Theatre of New York presents "Rip Van Winkle" at National Theatre on February 10 (10:30 A.M.--get ticket at 1734 F Street).

— Lyman L. Woodman

When you get to the end of your rope tie a knot in it and hang on.

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## ★ GREENBELT THEATRE ★

Thursday and Friday

Feb. 8 & 9



Saturday, Feb. 10

One day



Sunday and Monday

Feb. 11 & 12



March of Time - "Crisis in Pacific"



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The choice of Mr. Edward Walther to fill the vacancy on the Town Council seems to me a happy one; and one for which members of the Council may take much credit.

I am not unmindful of, nor do I mean to belittle, the qualifications of Mr. Walther's rivals for the job. Those members of the Council who did not prefer Mr. Walther for good reasons for their preferences, and are to be commended for supporting those preferences with so great a will. The whole Council is to be commended for the straightforward, level-headed, and even-tempered manner in which it handled a situation which certainly put it on a red hot spot.

In choosing Mr. Walther the Council did however, demonstrate beyond a doubt, that it was determined to put its decisions above personalities and politics (in the common, unhappy sense of the word "politics"). Mr. Walther had no lobby behind him; he represented no specific group; he has avoided the spot-light in his Greenbelt activities. The political fortunes of the Council members was not likely to be improved by their choice; they might well have been impaired.

Mr. Walther had demonstrated, however, in his Greenbelt activities a forthrightness, an ability to champion the causes for which he stood vigorously, intelligently, even courageously, with a quiet good humor that won the respect of those who disagreed with him as well as of those who agreed. Added to this the fact that he possessed an authoritative knowledge of the broader problems of government (he being a college instructor in political science) made it all the more evident that in him the Council would add considerably to its strength—his theoretical training augmenting the other's more practical trainings; that with him the Council might present a line-up that might well prove to be outstanding.

I hope that such will be the case; certainly it is Mr. Walther who is on the spot now. He must demonstrate the Council's wisdom in favoring a "dark horse".

— Howard C. Custer

## "THE POET'S CORNERED"

Meetings tonight and meetings tomorrow;  
All these meetings are causing me sorrow.  
I try to be a model resident  
And attend every single important event  
But I miss a heap  
Of meals and sleep—  
If only some time I could borrow!

By-Laws Revision Committee Sunday;  
Citizens' Association Monday;  
Tuesday, take part in the play;  
C.O.C. meeting the next day;  
Thursday, Health Association meets;  
Friday, my basketball team competes;  
Saturday, Cooperator needs my brain (?)  
Sunday, the cycle starts again

Committees—meetings—my mind's a riot—  
Oh, for the city where all is quiet!  
— Chaz

## Calendar Of Events

<b>Thursday, February 8</b>		
Women's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Athletic Club	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Citizens Association		
Committee	8:00 P.M.	Room 200
<b>Friday, February 9</b>		
Credit Union	6:30 - 9:00 P.M.	Meeting Room
A. C. Basketball	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Men's Bible Class	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Hebrew Congregation	9:00 P.M.	Music Room
<b>Saturday, February 10</b>		
Gun Club	2:30 - 5:00 P.M.	Range
Shoe Craft	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.	10 Parkway
Confession	7:30 P.M.	27-A Ridge Rd.
Square Dance	9:30 P.M.	Jr. Recreation
Singles Club	8:30 P.M.	1-D Ridge Rd.
<b>Sunday, February 11</b>		
Catholic Sunday School	8:30 A.M.	Theater
Mass	9:00 A.M.	Theater
Community Church School	9:30 A.M.	Auditorium
Community Church Choir	10:00 A.M.	Home Economics
Community Church	11:00 A.M.	Auditorium
Hebrew Sunday School	11:00 A.M.	Music Room
Gun Club	1:00 - 4:00 P.M.	Range
Latter Day Saints	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Christian Science	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
<b>Monday, February 12</b>		
Father and Son Banquet	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Greenbelt Players	8:00 P.M.	Room 225
Town Council	8:00 P.M.	Council Room
Cub Den	7:00 - 8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Duplicate Bridge	8:00 P.M.	Room 200
Girl Scouts	8:00 P.M.	Hobby Room
<b>Tuesday, February 13</b>		
Camera Club	8:00 P.M.	Room 222
Girl Scouts #17	3:15 P.M.	Social Room
Girl Scouts #18	7:30 P.M.	Social Room
Bowling League	7:30 P.M.	College Park
Catholic Choir	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
Better Buyers	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
<b>Wednesday, February 14</b>		
Holy Name Society	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Men's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Book Club	8:00 P.M.	Room 200
Junior Choir	7:00 P.M.	Music Room





## MRS. GREENBELT



### Good Evening, Mrs. Greenbelt

I have a job to do, one which is ordinarily a very unpleasant one, but in this case is not. I have to own up to being wrong. Sometimes I've felt that all the efforts we're making to pull ourselves up by our bootstraps by democratic control and open meetings and inter-faith gatherings were only important to us. In other words, I've sometimes felt that we were enormous bull-frogs in a very small puddle and that to the outside world we simply did not exist. But Mr. Cooper had such a nice letter from Mrs. Enochs at the Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor, that I'm about ready to yell "Uncle!" I had wanted to attend the White House Conference on Children in a Democracy but the news from home regarding my father's illness was so indefinite for a while that I couldn't set a definite date for going home, and so couldn't say whether I'd even be here for the Conference. When I finally got some details from my mother, and the letter was written, asking for a press card for me, it was too late. And—but maybe you'd rather I quoted a part of Mrs. Enochs' letter:

".....I am terribly sorry that the letter did not reach us in time for us to send you a press card for her. It would have been a great pleasure to have her at the press table with the other reporters.

"I am sending you a full set of the releases and I do hope that you will call on us for any material we can supply from time to time....."

So you see! We do matter to other people. Other people do see what we do. We are important in other puddles than our own. Doesn't it make you feel a little bit proud?

No brickbats to Peggy Bargas—just bouquets, with our thanks. And thanks to the others of you who so kindly wished I'd find my father improving—I did.

—Peggie Arness

### RECIPES

We are indebted to Mrs. Irving Johnston for this unusual recipe for baked eggs, which might go very nicely for Sunday night supper.

Select a number of eggs according to the people to be served. Break and separate—separately! Put each yellow in a separate container for "future reverence". Beat each white until it is stiff. Place on a slice of toast, or rather on a slice of bread which has been toasted on one side, and turned. Make a hole in the egg white and drop in the yellow. Place in a fairly hot oven, 450° and bake until set.

My thanks to Mrs. Ben Rosenzweig for this recipe for quick coffee cake. She was kind enough to bring such a coffee cake down to the about-to-collapse staff of the Cooperator one Monday night when spirits were low, and we can all vouch for its excellence.

2 cups sifted flour (all-purpose is best)  
3 tsp. baking powder 1/4 cup sugar  
3/4 tsp. salt 1/4 cup shortening  
1/4 cake compressed yeast 3/4 cup milk  
1 egg, well beaten 1 tblsp. butter  
1 tblsp. flour 2 tblsp. brown sugar  
1/2 tsp. cinnamon 2 tblsp. chopped nuts

Sift flour with baking powder and salt. Cut in shortening until mixture is as fine as cornmeal. Crumble yeast into milk and stir until dissolved. Add beaten egg. Add to flour mixture and mix well. Spread dough in a greased 8x8 inch pan. Let stand 30 minutes. Melt butter and mix thoroughly with remaining ingredients. Sprinkle over dough and bake in moderately hot oven, 375°, 30-40 minutes. Serves six to eight.

The small amount of yeast makes this quick coffee cake different. You'll like its better flavor. (Editor's note: We did!)

### Birds Get Hungry, Too

Mrs. Jessie Letkemann wonders how many of us are remembering the birds these snowy days. A small piece of suet tied to a tree and a daily ration of crumbs can make all the difference in the world to a bird. A feeding station made of an old box and hung in a tree is fine if you have a handy man about who will make the feeding station and if you have a tree of sufficient size to handle it. Some of us don't have the handy man, and some of us don't have any trees but saplings, but there are mighty few of us who don't have some crumbs to spread on a cleared spot of ground or on a sheltered window-sill. The next time you buy a piece of meat, ask the man behind the counter for a small piece of suet. I'm sure he'll be glad to oblige. He probably likes birds, too.

Speaking of liking birds, you'll reap a lovely harvest of song next summer if you get the birds used to the idea that friends live in your house. And a friend, you know, doesn't like to see his friends go hungry while he sits down to three square meals a day.

### Greenbelt's New Babies

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Macchio, 4 F Hillside Road, announce the birth of a baby daughter, Sunday, February 4, at 1:45 A.M. in the Greenbelt Hospital.

### BETTER BUYER BRIEFS

At the last leaders' meeting Mrs. Bertha Maryn submitted her resignation as Chairman of the Better Buyers. Mrs. Maryn gave as the reason for her resignation the press of duties incident to the leadership of the Educational Committee of the Cooperative Board.

Mrs. Evelyn Cooper was appointed to fill Mrs. Maryn's unexpired term of office, with Mrs. Bernice Brautigam as vice-chairman. Mrs. Doris Seybold was appointed to the Executive Committee, taking over the post formerly filled by Mrs. Carnie Harper.

Mrs. Charles Fitch also resigned the position of secretary. No appointment has been made as yet.

A new Better Buyers Club was formed on Tuesday, January 16 at the home of Mrs. Anne Miller. The 15 membership included Bessie Brickman, Dorothy Hartley, Sarah Kogon, Genevieve Kramer, Florence Langford, Ray Lewis, Pauline Fitzpatrick, Margaret McWhorter, Cloe Meek, Anne Miller, Ethel Moore, Elizabeth Pratt, Martha Townsend, Ruth Taylor and Mary Van Cleave.

The chairman, Anne Miller, read a report on frozen foods and an interesting discussion followed.

The group met this week at the home of Mrs. McWhorter and appointed Dorothy Hartley, treasurer and Ethel Moore, secretary. The first of a series of reports on "The Average American Diet" was read followed by discussion. The group plans to meet again on Tuesday, February 13, at the home of Bessie Brickman, 19-T Ridge Road.

Since all the members of the Better Buyers group under the leadership of Mrs. J. P. Loftus planned to attend the hearings on January 31, they spent an interesting afternoon on January 25 brushing up on breads. Discussions of methods of home baking, articles from government publications and different types of advertising used by bakeries gave the women some idea of what they might expect at the hearings.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 8, but the time has been changed. Members please note that the meeting will be held at 8:00 P.M., instead of at 2:00 P.M. as originally planned, at the home of Mrs. Allan Arness, 3-H Ridge Road.

Mrs. Carl Jernberg's group of Better Buyers met at the home of Mrs. Robert A. Stein, 11-P Ridge Road, on January 30, 1940. Each member had previously been given a pamphlet on sugar and its by-products, and a general discussion was held on the subject.

Mrs. George Mesnig will be hostess for the next meeting, to be held at her home, 13-G Ridge, on February 6, 1940.

Mrs. Edna Keagle was hostess to 13 members of the "Nifty Shoppers Club" at her home, 40-F Crescent Road on the evening of January 26.

The leader, Mrs. Doris Seybold, led the group in a discussion on "Allspice and Salt". Mrs. Clara Heneberger and Mrs. Ethel Whaley gave a reading on "Health Security for the Economically Insecure".

### Foods on Surplus List

You can save on your food budget if you keep posted on the foods designated by the Federal government as "surplus," declares the Consumers' Counsel Division of the AAA.

"These foods are found by Government experts to be so plentiful as to warrant their distribution to relief families by the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation. Non-relief consumers should find these foods cheap, since such surplus supplies beat down on prices all along the line.

"Foods on the list during January include butter, eggs, apples, fresh pears, oranges, grapefruit, raisins, dried prunes, dry beans, rice, onions, wheat flour, whole wheat flour, corn meal, hominy grits, and pork products, including lard."

The latest information from the Food Store, however, is that fresh fruits and vegetables are likely to take a severe jump in the near future, due to the extreme cold in the growing sections. A great amount of damage has been done by severe freezes to the citrus crop, especially, so your budgeting will have to take this into account.

The 13th will probably be a lucky night for you if you attend the Better Buyers meeting at 8:00 P.M. in the Auditorium.

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### WOMEN DISCUSS CAUSE AND CURE OF WAR

Representing 45,000,000 women in 56 different countries the delegates to the Fifteenth Conference on the Cause and Cure of War considered ways and means of making their influence felt in future international affairs. For four days these leaders of eleven women's organizations met at the Hotel Washington, listened to experts on Pan American, Pan Pacific, and European problems; they discussed the techniques and methods most effective in "channeling information to their local membership" in the far corners of the earth; and they took time off one afternoon to have tea with Mrs. Roosevelt at the White House.

Among the speakers on their program were the following: Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt; A. A. Berle, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State; Clarence K. Streit, author of "Union Now"; Carrie Chapman Catt; women representatives from China, Holland, India, Honduras, and Canada.

Of special interest to Greenbelt women would have been the talk-fest on the techniques of group discussions and group leadership, and the story of economic reconstruction in China by the industrial cooperatives which are springing up behind the fighting lines there. The Chinese delegate was asked by Mrs. Roosevelt to tell the Conference of the work of these cooperatives in rehabilitating that war-torn country.

As an indication of the fact that there is no provincial thinking going on in the feminine minds, these incidents are included:

A tobacco grower's wife from North Carolina said that her women rejoiced that England was buying her tobacco from Turkey instead of from us, for the tobacco farmers needed to diversify their crops and build up their soil. (One wonders if the tobacco companies have that much vision).

A Midwestern woman argued for the Hull Trade Agreements, saying that in the long run the farmers and the entire country would benefit from them. (The big cattle raisers don't argue that way).

If the expressions of these representatives of 45,000,000 women are any indication of why women are planning, the men had better begin thinking hard about a BETTER PEACE, for these delegates seemed determined to utilize their "nuisance-value" if peace-makers insist upon being unintelligent.

To the several hundred housewives and local club women, burdened with small family cares and provincial bickerings, attendance at this Conference was like placing a powerful telescope to a myopic eye.

Many homemakers have difficulty in planning a week's menu particularly when the food budget must be a low one. The Better Buyers, Mrs. Evelyn Cooper in particular, worked out daily menus for the week of January 28. The cost for the week (three meals a day) including bread, butter and beverage, ranging between \$8.00 and \$10.00 a week, for a family of four. If you did not get the mimeographed copy of the suggested menus distributed last week at the store get in touch with the Better Buyers.

Do you know all about the new Garden Club groups?

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# SPORTS

JOHN MAFFAY-EDITOR



## Reps Vanquish S. Kanns, 32 to 24

By John Ahaesy

The Greenbelt "Reps" smashed their way to victory over the tough S. Kann's basketball team in a D.C. Recreation League basketball game by a score of 32 to 24.

The game was played at Eastern High Gym Thursday, February 1. Greenbelt was trailing at the half time 10 to 14. Evidently Coach Resnick gave the boys a pep talk between halves, because it was a fighting team that took the floor for the second half. By the end of the third quarter, Greenbelt had slipped ahead and was leading 22 to 21. The Reps really put on a burst of speed in the last quarter to put the game on ice. Giersch was high scorer with 12 points. McDonald and Cain followed with 6 and 5 points respectively. The holding in check of Zaulotti and Quidley by Barker and Marack was a high light of the game.

### BOX SCORE

GREENBELT	POS	G	F	PTS	S. KANN'S	POS	G	F	PTS
Cain	f	2	1	5	Zaulotti	f	3	3	9
Dunbar	f	0	0	0	Aguilino	f	0	0	0
Marack	f	1	1	3	Emmert	f	0	0	0
Klepser	c	1	0	2	Quidley	c	3	0	6
Baker	c	2	0	4	Shewbridge	c	2	0	4
McDonald	g	3	0	6	Sartori	g	1	1	3
Giersch	g	6	0	12	Shield	g	1	0	2
TOTAL		15	2	32			10	4	24

## Reps To Meet Rockville, Then Bantam Press Team

On Saturday, February 10, 1940 at 8:30 P.M. in the School gym, Greenbelt plays host to the Rockville A. C. Earlier in the season Rockville defeated Greenbelt at the Rockville Gym. The Reps are determined to win this one and even matters, so this should be one of the best games of the season.

On Thursday, February 15, 1940 at 8:00 P.M. in the Eastern High Gym, Washington, D. C. meets the Bantam Press in a D. C. Recreation League Game. Admission is 10 cents per person.

The Reps would like to see all Greenbelt Sport fans at the Eastern Gym to help root them home to victory. How about it? J. A.

## FATHER AND SON BANQUET

The Scout and Cub mothers have completed plans for the coming Father and Son Banquet, to be held on Lincoln's Birthday, February 12, 1940. This annual party will be in the Social Room of the School, and the principal speaker will be the Honorable Lansdale Sasser of Maryland.

Tickets are now on sale, and anyone interested in securing a set please see any scout. He has them.

## Greenbelt Women Bowlers

STANDING ON FEBRUARY 3, 1940

TEAMS	W	L	H.G.	H.S.	PINFALL
Arcade Sunshine	14	10	488	963	11064
Starlight	13	9	518	1004	10162
Holbrook	13	9	496	981	10054
Outlaws	8	14	510	993	9951
Robins	8	14	478	900	9683
High Team Game	-	Starlight 518; Outlaws 510.			
High Team Set	-	Starlight 1004; Outlaws 993.			
High Ind. Aver.	-	Dove 89-21; Martone 84-13.			
High Ind. Set	-	Wofsey 213; Dove 205.			
High Flat Game	-	Ahasey 93; Abrahams and Green 87.			
High Strikes	-	Dove 7; 7 ties with 3.			
High Spares	-	Dove 23; Sansone 19.			

BOWLING SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 12, 1940

Arcade Sunshine	vs.	Holbrook	7:30 P.M.
Starlight	vs.	Robins	9:30 P.M.

### INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

PLAYER	TEAM	G.	H.G.	H.S.	PINS	AVE.
Dove	Holbrook	22	114	205	1979	89-21
Martone	Starlight	21	104	187	1777	84-13
Sansone	Arcade	24	101	189	2027	84-11
Mills	Arcade	22	99	178	1813	82-20
McGoldrick	Holbrook	21	97	180	1733	82-11
Ahasey	Starlight	22	95	181	1800	81-18
Olson	Outlaws	22	101	172	1793	81-11
Boggs	Arcade	20	105	175	1615	80-15
McWilliams	Starlight	19	96	179	1529	80-9
Witcher	Outlaws	20	121	194	1594	79-14
Timmons	Robins	16	123	196	1273	79-9
Williams	Starlight	22	95	184	1740	79-2
Tompkins	Outlaws	22	91	171	1731	78-15
Markfield	Robins	18	94	169	1412	78-8
Abrahams	Outlaws	9	90	173	703	78-1
Wofsey	Robins	19	128	213	1479	77-16
Blanchard	Outlaws	11	105	184	836	76
Goldfaden	Arcade	22	93	165	1667	75-17
Bowman	Holbrook	17	90	165	1284	75-9
DePietro	Arcade	17	90	163	1259	74-1

## Greenbelt A. C. Banquet

Tickets are now being sold by the various block representatives for the Second Annual Banquet of the Greenbelt Athletic Club to be held Monday night, February 19th, in the School Gymnasium.

Chairman Frank Lastner announces that the principal speaker for the evening will be Dr. H. C. Byrd, President of the University of Maryland. Dr. Byrd, better known to the Athletic Club members as "Curly", was former Director of Athletics and football coach at the school.

Master of ceremonies will be none other than our own popular Mr. Wallace Mabee, Chief of the Greenbelt Police.

Plans call for a good dinner and this is assured by the women of the Community Church. A variety of entertainment, including a showing of the latest movie release of the American League "Touching all Bases", has been arranged. McW

## School Basketball League

In the first game on Friday, February 2, at 3:15 P.M., Douglas Warner's team defeated Donald Brewer's team by the score of 11-9. Jimmy Ourand was leading score with 6 points.

The second game, between Donald Fitzhugh's team and Dick Palmers, ended in a tie 4 to 4. Charles Fitch scored all four points for Donald Fitzhugh's team.

## BOYS CLUB HOST TO SHUBERT A. C.

On February 10, 1940 at 7:30 P.M. the Greenbelt Boys Club Basketball team will engage the Shubert A.C. in the Greenbelt gym. The Boys' team were victorious in both their games this year, and will make every effort to continue its winning streak.

Then on February 17, at 7:30 P.M., the 90 lb. Greenbelt Boys Quintet will play their first game of the season against the midget team of the Georgetown Boys Club. At 8:00 P.M. the 140 lb. team will play the 140 lb. team from Georgetown Boys Club, a preliminary to the Greenbelt Reps game.

## Women's Badminton Tournament

The Greenbelt Women's gym class began an elimination Badminton Tournament last Thursday, February 1, 1940. The entire first round of matches were played off, and three of the second round matches.

In the first round matches, D. Burke defeated M. Conklyn, 11-3, J. Walker defeated Scordellis 11-0, D. Dungan defeated L. DiPietro, 11-3, and thirteen players drew byes for the first round. In the second round matches Underwood defeated Dennard 11-7, and 11-5; Talbott defeated Sansone 11-7 and 11-4; Martone defeated Bowman 11-8, 9-11 and 11-6.

The second round matches will be completed Thursday, February 8, 1940 as far as possible. Burke will play Colletti, Ketcham vs. Dramer, Wofsey vs. Pinckney, Walker vs. Boggs, and Dungan vs. Goldfaden.

A consolation tournament will be played for the losers of the first and second round matches.

## Women Organize Block Teams

The women basketball players of Greenbelt have been organized into block teams. A and B blocks have been combined for one team, and will be managed or captained by Ruth Underwood. C Block elected Johnny Walker for their captain, and D, E, F, and J block elected Idele DiPietro for their captain.

On Thursday, February 8, at 7:00 P.M. C-Block will play A and B block. Volleyball will be played from 7:45 until 8:15, then D, E, F, and J. block will play the winner of the first game. Regular gym program will be resumed after that. The basketball games will be played in 4 six minute quarters with two minutes between quarters and five minutes at half time. Other block teams will be formed as more players come out.

## Women's Volleyball Team Challenged

The Internal Revenue will bring two teams of women players to Greenbelt February 24 to play them in volleyball. These games will be preliminary to the men's basketball game. During December of last year the Internal Revenue came out to play Greenbelt and were beaten very decisively by Greenbelt.

Practice for this challenge will be held Thursday night at gym, and two teams will be selected to play against the visitors from Washington.

## Baseball School for Greenbelt

On February 17, 1940 the recreation department of Greenbelt will start a baseball school for the boys of Greenbelt. The rules of the game will be discussed thoroughly, the different positions covered, knotty problems and other questions answered.

All boys who are interested in playing baseball this summer are urged to attend these classes which will be held in the Elementary School. Classes will continue until it is warm enough to play ball.

## Greenbelt Bowling League

With the first five teams of the Greenbelt Duck-pin Bowling League all dropping two out of three games in their matches last Tuesday night, January 30, the standings tightened considerably, and anything may happen from now on. The twelfth place Knights of Columbus team upset the leading Musketeers 2 to 1; the fifteenth place Blues took two out of three from the contending Lions; and the ninth place Starlight #2 took the odd game from the third place Starlight #1. The Crescents took a 2 to 1 beating from the Consumer Services while the Holi-Rollers shut out the Scribes 3 to 0 and the Buckeroos dropped two to the Eagles. In the other two matches clean sweeps were scored by the American Legion and the Jaguars, who defeated the Romans and Cardinals respectively.

### STANDING OF THE TEAMS

TEAMS	WON	LOST	PINFALL
Musketeers	39	21	30612
Lions	38	22	28993
Starlight # 1	37	23	29236
Crescents	36	24	29303
Buckeroos	34	26	28443
Cardinals	32	28	28810
Consumers Services	32	28	28271
Scribes	32	28	27095
Starlight # 2	32	28	27017
Eagles	30	30	28743
Jaguars	29	31	29923
Holi-Rollers	24	36	27274
American Legion	24	36	26809
Knights of Columbus	23	37	27095
Blues	20	40	27568
Romans	18	42	24823

HIGH TEAM GAME	- Lions 585; Crescents 573.
HIGH TEAM SET	- Musketeers 1665; Lions 1625.
HIGH IND. GAME	- Lastner 151; Temple 149.
HIGH IND. SET	- Temple 415; MacEwen 380.
HIGH STRIKES	- Temple 44; Lastner 32.
HIGH SPARES	- Temple 170; Millbrook 131.
HIGH FLAT GAME	- Allen 95; H. Wood & Miller 94.
HIGH IND. AVERAGE	- Temple 118-52; Araujo 107-35; Millbrook 106-52; Lastner 105-48; Henshaw 105-13; & MacEwen 104-21.

### BOWLING SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 13th 1940.

Alleys 1 & 2-	Holi-Rollers vs Consumers Serv.	7 P.M.
3 & 4-	Scribes vs Crescents	7 P.M.
5 & 6-	Starlight #2 vs Romans	7 P.M.
7 & 8-	Starlight #1 vs American Legion	7 P.M.
1 & 2-	Jaguars vs Musketeers	9 P.M.
3 & 4-	Cardinals vs Knights of Col.	9 P.M.
5 & 6-	Lions vs Eagles	9 P.M.
7 & 8-	Blues vs Buckeroos	9 P.M.

## High School Girls Upset Bladensburg, 31 to 28

The Greenbelt High School Girls Basketball Quintet defeated Bladensburg High School in a very thrilling game last Wednesday. The final score was 31-28. Greenbelt started by getting the first basket, and leading Bladensburg for the first quarter. Then Bladensburg came to their own, and surpassed Greenbelt 16-9 at half time. In the third quarter both teams scored an equal number of points, but during the fourth quarter, the Greenbelt guards played a great defensive game, and held Bladensburg scoreless. The Greenbelt forwards in the meantime plunged ahead and scored 8 points to win the game, 31 to 28.

Givens, of Bladensburg, and Welsh, of Greenbelt, shared high scoring honors, both accounting for 12 of their respective teams points, but much credit must be accorded the Greenbelt guards, Zoellner, Stevans, Steuart, and Warner for their airtight defense.

The Greenbelt girls will play Mt. Rainier Tuesday there and Bowie here on Wednesday.

### THE LINE UPS FOR THE TEAMS

GREENBELT	POS	PTS	BLADENSBURG	POS	PTS
H. Zoellner	fwd	9	Hawks	fwd	6
T. Hedges	fwd	6	Sodemans	fwd	0
F. Goode	fwd	4	Givens	fwd	12
M. Welsh	fwd	12	Malakatis	fwd	2
M. Zoellner	guard		Caherty	fwd	8
N. Stevens	guard		Gingliotta	fwd	0
P. Steuart	guard		Shirley	guard	
P. Warner	guard		Locke	guard	
			DePietro	guard	
			Sadenan	guard	
TOTAL		31			28

### GRIZZLIES WIN TWO MORE GAMES

The Greenbelt Grizzlies won two more games last week when they defeated Maryland Park for the second time by a score of 29-15, and Bowie, by a score of 39-22.

Tomorrow night, Friday, February 9, the Grizzlies journey to Bladensburg High and play one of the toughest games that they have left on the schedule. Bladensburg defeated them in the first game by a close score.

The Grizzlies have entered the Evening Star tournament and will play in a run-off contest with Hyattsville, Mt. Rainier, and Bladensburg. F. L.

### ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Greenbelt Athletic Association at 8:00 P. M. tonight in the Social Room of the Elementary School. This meeting is being held to elect officers for the ensuing term.



## Our Town: Heating System

During cold snaps, the four men in town who have this business of heating houses most on their minds are Oscar Zoellner, engineer, his two assistants, Noble Anderson and Ronald Brittingham, and Clarence McNamee, who drives the oil trucks.

The oil to heat Greenbelt homes is delivered at the Branchville siding in 10,000 gallon tank cars; it is then stored there in four 12,000 gallon tanks. Mr. McNamee works night and day, on Sundays, to transporting the oil from the Branchville storage tanks to the 70 underground storage tanks here in Greenbelt which supply individual burners. Life is not without its rewards; Mr. McNamee only works a couple of days per week in the summer, as the heating mains are then stopped with a valve and the plants heat only domestic water.

Greenbelt's annual oil budget comes to approximately \$60,000. An additional \$8,000 goes for maintenance and salaries. For the year ending December 31 the cost of fuel for the row units was about \$75 each, while the apartment units cost an average of \$26 each for the year.

Mr. Zoellner and his assistants have the difficult engineering job of adjusting and balancing the controls of Greenbelt's complex heating system now in its third year of operation. From 8:30 in the morning until midnight they work in shifts, checking controls, taking tests, cleaning burners, and seeing to complaints. Sundays they are on special call. Like Mr. McNamee, their duties are considerably lighter in warm weather.

There are 579 row houses in town grouped in 128 buildings, and 12 apartment houses containing 306 units in all. Each row and each apartment building has its individual oil burner. In the case of the houses, each family unit has, in addition, its own 30 gallon water tank for domestic use, heated by separate line from the boiler. This prevents one extravagant hot water user from draining her neighbor's supply. The apartment water tanks have a 500 gallon capacity and the water they contain is kept at a temperature between 160° and 170°. This ensures a faucet temperature of between 135° and 140°, which requires the addition of cold water for use yet is not hot enough to scald the hands. The houses

burn a light No. 2 oil, while the apartments take No. 6, a heavy grade. Just in case you wondered, the light oil comes in the green truck and the heavy oil in the gray trucks.

To go back to heating proper, your radiators are, or should be, filled with hot water, which is preferable to steam heat in that it is steadier and keeps the atmosphere approximately 35 per cent more humid than steam does. Don't forget to vent your radiators now and then with the radiator key, especially upstairs radiators. As the air leaves the pipes the resulting vacuum causes the hot water to rise once more into the radiator. This air accumulates mainly during the night when the circulating pump is cut off for several hours by an automatic clock. During this time the water circulates through the radiator by gravity, and air comes in through the water mains. This clock is stopped however during coldest weather and the pumps run continually.

During cold spells this year the houses have been burning approximately 8,000 gallons of oil daily, the apartments about 1,500. The annual count is in the neighborhood of one million gallons for the row houses and one third of a million for the apartments, stores, and community buildings. If, despite these impressive figures, you still feel chilly, the office wants to know about it as it is the policy of the management not to skimp on heat at the expense of the tenants. The office especially appreciates the exact temperature reading from a room thermometer, as it can then set about in scientific fashion to remedy the situation. Before you call 2011, however, make sure you have not been unduly influenced by the wind howling outside, or snow falling past your windows, or by the radio announcer's dreary predictions of zero weather. Several times the office has answered a distress call only to find the apartment or house in question enjoying a temperature well over 70°. Be assured in the meantime that the heating system is working as long as you can get hot water from your faucets.

The timid soul will be glad to know that each heating plant is protected by a number of automatic safety devices, and in three years there has not been a single call for the fire department occasioned by accidents to the heating system. All houses have a five inch concrete slab between the first floor and the basement as an additional safety factor. There are aquastats on the boilers, valves on the radiators, and outside thermostats which get to work when the temperature drops below 60°. What more, in the name of Saint Fahrenheit, could anyone possibly ask?

### COUNTY HOUSING PROJECT INDEFINITELY POSTPONED

Appointment of a housing authority for Prince Georges County has been indefinitely postponed by the county commissioners, according to Theodore B. Siehler, who presided at the board's meeting in the absence of its president, William A. Carson.

Mr. Siehler's statement yesterday came as a reply to Luis Granados, Riverdale real estate operator, who appeared before the board to request appointment of an authority. Mr. Granados said he is chairman of a committee of the county's Federation of Citizens Associations which is investigating building conditions in the county.

Declaring that "there are a lot of hen houses in the county with human hens living in them," Mr. Granados said "it is high time somebody takes cognizance of the situation and does something about it."


At the same time, the commissioners received a survey of the county's almshouse by Dr. Charles E. Gill, health officer, which stated that the colored dormitory and mess hall presents a fire hazard, and recommended that it be replaced with a modern, fire-proof building.

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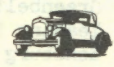
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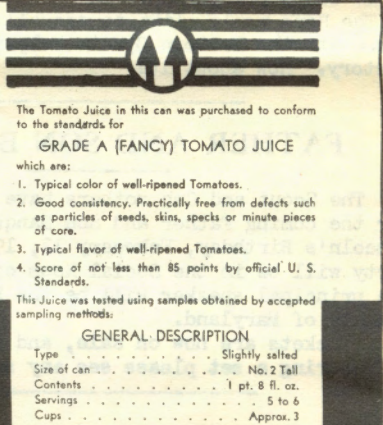
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